House Resolution No. 9

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding group of young athletes who have enjoyed considerable success through steadfast commitment to the highest standards of excellence; and

Whereas, this legislative body believes that a well-rounded high school experience includes the benefits of exercise and fellowship associated with high school athletic programs; and

Whereas, the members of the Notre Dame High School Boys Cross Country Team of Cape Girardeau distinguished themselves by taking Second Place in the Missouri State High School Activities Association Class 2 Cross Country Championship held November 11, 2003, at the Oak Hills Golf Center in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, the talented Notre Dame Bulldogs boast an impressive list of achievements and accolades that include an 80-11 season record and Second Place finishes in the SEMO Conference for both the Varsity and Junior Varsity teams; and

Whereas, the Bulldogs could not have attained such phenomenal success this season without the exemplary leadership provided by Head Coach Bill Davis and Assistant Coach Karen Roggow, both of whom have continually instilled the important values of teamwork and sportsmanship in all their outstanding players; and

Whereas, few high school athletes possess the athletic skill and stamina of Varsity All-Conference and All-District Class 2 honorees Sam Montgomery and Ryan Roggow; All-District Class 2 members Matt Pfau, Austin Critchlow, and Greg Kanneberg; and Junior Varsity All-Conference Team members Greg Swoboda, C.J. Harper, Cody Essner, Andrew Bertrand, and Jonathan Ramsey; and

Whereas, fellow students, faculty, and staff at Notre Dame High School, parents, and the entire community of Cape Girardeau are exceedingly proud of the Bulldogs for their impressive display of teamwork and unwavering unanimity while successfully aspiring towards incredible goals:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the Notre Dame High School Boys Cross Country Team at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing them only the very best of success in all their future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Notre Dame High School in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Offered by _

Representative Jason G. Crowell Majority Floor Leader District No. 158

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 9, adopted January 8, 2004.